

Darby Morin, an honorable serviceman, husband, and father.

Sergeant Morin began his military career as an Army Transportation specialist, maintaining Army vehicles. With the support of his family, Darby became a Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Specialist. This new role gave him the skills and knowledge to defend our nation against the threat of weapons of mass destruction.

We are forever indebted to our servicemembers for their sacrifice and recognize the irreplaceable support military spouses and families provide for our nation's heroes. Military families serve alongside their loved ones, and today, we remember their tremendous sacrifice and mourn their loss.

I am pleased to know that my staff was able to join Sergeant Morin's family and U.S. Bank in recognizing his impressive and enduring legacy during the Gold Star Family event, Driven to Serve. While we all mourn this loss, Sergeant Darby Morin's commitment to serving our nation will never be forgotten.

HONORING BATOYUN "OYUNA"  
URANCHIMEG, PARALYMPIC ATHLETE

**HON. ANGIE CRAIG**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Ms. CRAIG. Madam Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Batoyun "Oyuna" Uranchimeg on her performance at the 2022 Paralympic Games in Beijing, which earned the U.S. Wheelchair Curling Team 5th place.

Oyuna began curling in 2016 and has since become an instrumental member of the USA Wheelchair Curling Development Team. She has shown us that strength is about the determination to persevere. Her performance has been inspirational, and I look forward to watching what she accomplishes next.

On behalf of Minnesota's 2nd Congressional District, I applaud Oyuna and congratulate her on her impressive Paralympic performance.

HONORING CURT RHODES

**HON. RODNEY DAVIS**

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. RODNEY DAVIS of Illinois. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Curt Rhodes.

Curt was a friend to everyone he met. Whether he was watching races at the Macon Speedway, attending events with the UMP Modified Racing Series, or watching his favorite team, the St. Louis Blues, Curt was loved by those around him.

If there is one thing Curt loved more than the Blues or a day at the speedway, it was his family. Curt loved nothing more than to be with his family. His brother Joe, his sister Debbie, his nephews Brandon, Justin, Tyler, and Ryan, and his nieces Hannah and Kristy meant the world to him. Curt and his wife Katrina raised a beautiful family of their own, including his son Zachary and his daughter Cassandra. Curt was loved and will be remembered by many.

Curt was born in Edmonton Alberta, Canada but eventually moved to my hometown of Taylorville, Illinois. He lived a fulfilling, honest life and was dedicated to his family, his community and being a friend to all.

On January 31, 2022, Curt passed away in Springfield, Illinois. Shannon and I send our thoughts and prayers to his family. Curt will be missed by many. May he rest in peace.

JEFF CANNON

**HON. ED PERLMUTTER**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Jeff Cannon for receiving the 2021 Man of the Year Award from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce. The Man of the Year Award is given annually to a man who has gone above and beyond to selflessly serve his community.

Jeff has been a tireless volunteer in Arvada for more than 40 years. Most notably, he has served with the Arvada Jaycee's since 1981 and has held many positions in the organization, including Chapter President, Colorado Secretary, Colorado State President and Colorado Senate President. He has managed the Arvada Harvest Festival as well as many other community events through the years. In addition, he's served on the Arvada Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, the Arvada Planning Commission, and served as President of Arvada Sister Cities. His commitment to serving the Arvada community is unparalleled.

Congratulations again to Jeff Cannon on this recognition from the Arvada Chamber of Commerce. I extend my deepest appreciation for his contributions to our community.

RECOGNIZING KENNETH ROTH'S  
RETIREMENT FROM HUMAN  
RIGHTS WATCH

**HON. STEVE COHEN**

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. COHEN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize Kenneth Roth, Executive Director of Human Rights Watch, who has announced his retirement after serving the organization for nearly 30 years at its helm. During this time, he developed the organization to become a leading defender of human rights with a budget of nearly \$100 million and over 500 staff operating in 100 countries.

Mr. Roth, a former federal prosecutor in New York and during investigations of the Iran-Contra Affair, began his career in human rights work as a volunteer for 6 years before joining HRW as Deputy Director in 1987. At the time, HRW consisted of regional human rights monitoring groups, including Helsinki Watch—a product of the 1975 Helsinki Accords to monitor compliance of human rights in Soviet bloc countries that called for the "naming and shaming" of violators of human rights—Americas Watch, Asia Watch, Middle East Watch and Africa Watch. Jointly, the groups were known as "The Watch Commit-

tees." The year following his appointment as Deputy Director, the collective was consolidated under the name Human Rights Watch. In 1993, Kenneth Roth was named Executive Director of HRW following its first Director, Aryeh Neier.

As Executive Director, Mr. Roth demonstrated an even-handed approach to his position and has not shied away from bringing attention to human rights violations committed by governments and individuals around the world. HRW has brought to our awareness abuses occurring in Ethiopia, Yemen, Egypt, Afghanistan, Myanmar, Syria and in China's Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region documenting repression of the Uyghur minority population, to name a few countries. HRW reports have also criticized U.S. administrations over the use of "black sites" and laws on surveillance following the September 11 attacks, anti-immigrant and anti-Muslim policies, and isolationist policies. Additionally, through its staff reporting and advocacy, HRW reports have been instrumental in investigations and convictions of warlords, wartime leaders and individuals accused of committing human rights abuses, including Liberia's Charles Taylor, Peru's Alberto Fujimori and Bosnian Serb leaders Radovan Karadzic and Ratko Mladic.

Mr. Roth has also demonstrated that he is no stranger to "good trouble." Roth has received criticism from the Rwandan government over HRW's reporting of genocide and other crimes committed by its President, Paul Kagame. Additionally, he was denied entry into Egypt in 2014 over the report All According to Plan: The Rab'a Massacre and Mass Killings of Protestors in Egypt, which placed responsibility for mass killings of protestors following the ousting of President Mohamed Morsi on senior officials, including then Defense Minister and current President, Abdul Fattah al-Sisi. He faced Chinese sanctions and was similarly denied entry into Hong Kong, where he planned to release the World Report 2020 showing Chinese policies to "restrict freedom of religion" in Tibetan areas, forced and deceptive marriages through "bride trafficking," violations of the Refugee Convention by returning North Korean refugees, and forced detainment of Turkic Muslims in "political education" camps—a tactic currently being used by Russia against Ukrainian children.

Over the span of his 30-year career, Kenneth put feet on the ground meeting with communities impacted by human rights violations, speaking with over 2 dozen world leaders to address and end abuses, and leading fact-finding investigative trips to over 50 countries, including Haiti, Cuba, Kuwait, Iraq, and Syria. He focused HRW teams on issues pertaining to women, children, and senior populations; refugees; persons with disabilities; lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people; poverty and inequality; climate change; and on human rights abuses here in the United States of America. HRW began documenting abuses in realtime with the aim of ending atrocities sooner rather than later and incorporating videos and graphics in its reports as well as using social media for advocacy. The organization supported bringing perpetrators to justice through war crimes tribunals at the United Nations Security Council and the creation of the International Criminal Court as a body to prosecute war crimes, crimes against humanity and genocide. Kenneth pushed the ICC to

prohibit cluster munitions and the use of child soldiers, and in 1997, the HRW shared a Nobel Peace Prize for its work to ban anti-personnel landmines.

As Kenneth Roth prepares to step down from his position amid Russia's ongoing war in Ukraine, I am mindful of the human rights abuses being committed in both Ukraine and inside of Russia at the orders of Vladimir Putin. War crimes, crimes against humanity and strong evidence of genocide abound in Ukraine. Political arrests, which HRW has documented extensively in countries as nearby as Nicaragua and Cuba and ones as far away as Uzbekistan, are taking place in Russia with the arrest of protesters, journalists, politicians, and anyone who dares speak out against Putin's war in Ukraine, including the recently jailed Russian politician and journalist, Vladimir Kara-Murza. Kenneth Roth's reports have criticized Russia's invasion of Ukraine, which remains a clear, gross, and uncorrected violation of Helsinki Final Accord principles by Putin and his regime. In April 2022, HRW's operations in Russia were suspended as part of Putin's silencing of criticism over his unprovoked war.

In recognition of Kenneth Roth's 30-year leadership of Human Rights Watch and the organization he has built to bring attention to human rights abuses around the world and the recommendations he has made to end and correct these atrocities, I ask my colleagues to join me in saying job well-done and in wishing him well in his retirement. His presence will surely be missed, but I am confident that the human rights monitoring infrastructure put into place will remain strong and that his leadership will serve as a guide for future leaders of HRW and for all who work in the areas of human rights monitoring and advocacy.

#### IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF FORDSON HIGH SCHOOL

#### HON. DEBBIE DINGELL

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mrs. DINGELL. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the 100th Anniversary of Fordson High School, located in Dearborn, Michigan. For the past century, Fordson High School has educated the students of Dearborn and brought pride to our community. For this they are worthy of commendation as they celebrate their 100th anniversary.

Completed in 1928 in the former village of Fordson, at the time Fordson High School was hailed as "one of the finest school buildings in the United States." The school's famous architecture was inspired by buildings at Oxford University and the University of Michigan Law School. The striking Fordson Tower has been used as a site of protest, a media center, and even as a lookout for enemy aircraft during World War II. From the very first day that classes were held at the school, students have found a home and a love of learning at Fordson.

Fordson High School is representative of the diverse Dearborn community that it serves, from the early days of it being a school for the sons and daughters of Ford factory workers to a haven for immigrants escaping violence, Fordson has programs to ensure that each

student has what they need to succeed. Students are offered the opportunity to participate in sports and various clubs that support the study of medicine, debate, and entrepreneurship. With the strong Fordson tradition and a roster of great student athletes across all sports, the Fordson Tractors have won state championships in football, volleyball, swimming, and basketball. The students of Fordson High School have grown up to become politicians, judges, directors, athletes, actors, and leaders in business. They've served our country and helped empower our community for generations.

Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring the students, staff, and alumni of Fordson High School as they celebrate 100 fantastic years in Dearborn, Michigan. Every time I visit Fordson I am amazed by how thoughtful and engaged in the community the students are. These great students give me hope for the next generation and never fail to make us proud each day. Fordson has been the heart and soul of Dearborn for the past century, and we wish the students, staff, and alumni the very best in the years come.

#### HONORING THE LIVES OF ANTHONY AND ROBERT DUDCHIK

#### HON. JOE COURTNEY

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. COURTNEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today to mourn the heartbreaking loss of two young beams of light from Eastern Connecticut, Anthony and Robert Dudchik. The two brothers lost their lives in a horrific car accident on April 28, 2022, along with another young friend. Their passing has been devastating to their families, communities and has without exaggeration, been felt across the entire state.

Born in 2000 and 2002 in the neighboring town of Middletown, Anthony and Robert were adopted and raised by Tom and Nora Fitzgerald Dudchik of East Haddam, Connecticut. These two were inseparable since birth and grew up and thrived in Tom and Nora's loving, nurturing home.

Their stories intertwined, both Anthony and Robert brought a caring and attentive nature to every task or goal before them, qualities which I am sure they absorbed from Tom and Nora's upbringing. As graduates of Nathan Hale-Ray High School, they were both star athletes and had previously worked at East Haddam's Shagbark Lumber and Farm Supplies store, a local landmark, where they became friendly, familiar faces to the local community. Upon graduating, Robert had most recently moved to East Haven where he had taken off a career in aviation as a flight attendant for Tweed-New Haven's Avelo Airlines, where he was also among the inaugural graduating class. He dreamed of moving to Japan to teach English. Anthony, who had also moved to New Haven for school, was a rising Sophomore Journalism Major at Southern Connecticut State University. He had a strong passion for photography.

The losses of Robert and Anthony are indescribably difficult because the trajectory of their lives was so crystal clear, and yet also so incomplete. Even at such young ages, their

combined story has touched countless individuals throughout all of Connecticut. They brought such incredible joy, inspiration and pride to Tom and Nora as well as their surviving friends and family. Tom and Nora in the past few weeks have shown great strength and grace and have publicly urged all who will listen to learn more about and support adoption and the children who need loving homes.

Madam Speaker, in moments like these where it is hard to find solace, we can only learn to cherish their memories which will not soon leave this earth, but instead appreciate with time. In keeping their memories alive, we will also pay respect to the strength that foster families bring to our communities, which the Dudchiks have exemplified so well. To these ends, I ask that my colleagues join me in honoring their memory, and ensuring that the brightness which emanated from their lives will never leave us.

#### HONORING JOHN W. BIPPUS AS THE THREE RIVERS LIONS CLUB BRUCE C. SNOOK CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

#### HON. FRED UPTON

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Mr. UPTON. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize a very important member of the Three Rivers community, Mr. John Bippus, for receiving the title of Three Rivers Lions Club Bruce C. Snook Citizen of the Year.

John moved to Three Rivers in 1968 at nine years old. His father, a local businessman, played a formidable role in the development of John's entrepreneurial spirit. John would help at his parent's gas station as a teen pumping gas, changing tires and getting the job done. John's familiarity with vehicles naturally led him to pursue an automotive sales position after graduating from Three Rivers High School and later found his true calling—real estate. John went on to get his broker's license and open his own business in his hometown over thirty years ago.

John's position in the community goes well beyond the real estate industry. John also founded John Bippus Charities which has donated to over twenty Michigan organizations. John has also led the community through his participation in local government, including the Three Rivers City Commission, St. Joseph County Board of Commissioners, the St. Joseph County Board of Road Commissioners and the Glen Oaks Board of Trustees.

John has led and selflessly given to the community of Three Rivers and is most deserving of this recognition. What's also important is that I have personally known Bruce Snook all my years and the qualities and values he has lived. That's why this recognition is so special to me.

#### HONORING THE RETIREMENT OF MR. ED TERRY

#### HON. ANGIE CRAIG

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, May 11, 2022*

Ms. CRAIG. Madam Speaker, I rise to celebrate Mr. Ed Terry and his more than fifty